

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, Albion "Babe" Hagele was born on June 30, 1915, in Bowdle, South Dakota, to Christian Hagele and Minnie Reiner Hagele; and,

Whereas, Birthdays commemorate the first day of our lives, and we celebrate the birthdays of those we love as we recognize the joys and sorrows we have shared, the strength we have gained from the obstacles and hardships we have conquered, and the small daily pleasures life offers; and,

Whereas, Babe served in the Army during World War II, landing on Omaha Beach during the liberation of France, and attained the rank of Master Sergeant; and,

Whereas, Babe married Mabel Sippel on April 26, 1946, and to this union 3 children were born, Diane, Paulette, and Larry, who also blessed their lives with 8 grandchildren, and 15 great-grandchildren; and,

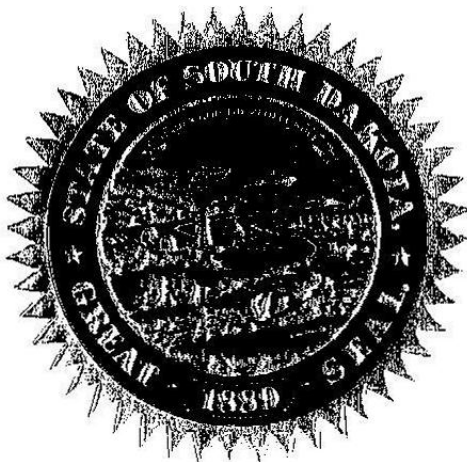
Whereas, Babe served as both the Edmunds County Auditor and Treasurer for over 30 years and is a 50-year member of the First Baptist Church in Ipswich, South Dakota; and,

Whereas, Babe will observe his 95th Birthday with all the good wishes, fanfare, and celebration such a milestone warrants, as his friends and relatives to honor him and celebrate his life and the camaraderie of the day; and it is fitting and proper for the Governor to make note of this milestone in the life of a man who has lived an exemplary life for all to emulate:

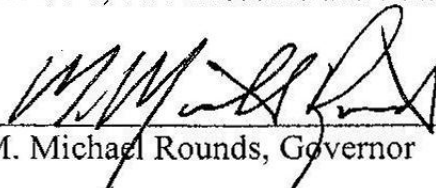
Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim June 30, 2010, as

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in South Dakota, and I join all his many friends and relatives in wishing him a very happy birthday, good health, and great happiness.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-third Day of June in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Ten.


M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:


Chris Nelson, Secretary of State